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HIGHLIGHTS

THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN NORTH CAROLINA (seasonally adjusted) increased slightly from 4.8 percent in January 1987 to 5.1 percent in February 1987. Over the year the unemployment rate was down 0.1 percent from the February 1986 rate of 5.2.

BOTH EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT rose from January to February. While employment grew by seven thousand, the number of unemployed amounted to 12,000. From February a year ago employment boasted an increase of 85,000, and during the same period the unemployed grew by 1,000.

THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SHOWED AN INCREASE OF 19,000 persons from January to February as both the numbers employed and unemployed grew.

THE NUMBER OF WEEKS CLAIMED FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS was down 8,832 from January. Significant decreases in the number of weeks claimed were notable in textiles (-7,449) and in apparel (-3,492). Weeks claimed by construction workers were up by 4,784.

DURING FEBRUARY 8,751 INDIVIDUALS WERE PLACED IN JOBS THROUGH NORTH CAROLINA'S JOB SERVICE CENTERS. More than half were placed in the manufacturing sector. The largest numbers of persons were placed in benchwork occupations (1,590).

THE NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING was up over the year, but experienced a slight decrease from a month ago. In durable goods the largest gain in production workers was in structural clay products (+4.8) for the month and year. Other nondurable goods (petroleum and leather and leather products) showed the greatest gain in production workers, up 5.7 percent. Production worker losses were significant in household appliances (-13.5) and tobacco stemming and redrying (-22.2).

WORKERS IN THE CIGARETTE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY were the highest wage earners in February. Average hourly earnings reached \$15.97 for a small monthly gain. Average weekly earnings were highest among employees in pulp, paper, and paperboard mills. Weekly earnings at \$641.63, were down slightly from January.

PRODUCTION WORKERS IN WARP KNIT FABRIC MILLS worked an average of 46.6 hours per week, the highest recorded for the month. The shortest average workweek was experienced by nonsupervisory workers in general merchandise stores.

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

February 1987

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted

Reference Month:
One Year Prior

Time Series Data:
September 1986 to February 1987

	Feb. 1986	Sep. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,726	4,773	4,780	4,785	4,792	4,802	4,809
Civilian Labor Force	3,204	3,207	3,206	3,201	3,221	3,271	3,290
Participation Rate 1/	67.8	67.2	67.1	66.9	67.2	68.1	68.4
Employed	3,037	3,034	3,041	3,029	3,048	3,115	3,122
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	64.3	63.6	63.6	63.3	63.6	64.9	64.9
Unemployed	167	173	165	172	173	156	168
Unemployment Rate	5.2	5.4	5.1	5.4	5.4	4.8	5.1
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Reference Month:
One Year Prior

Time Series Data:
December 1986 to February 1987

	Feb. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,726	4,792	4,802	4,809
Civilian Labor Force	3,173	3,219	3,227	3,259
Participation Rate 1/	67.1	67.2	67.2	67.8
Employed	2,991	3,063	3,058	3,078
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	63.3	63.9	63.7	64.0
Unemployed	181	155	169	181
Unemployment Rate	5.7	4.8	5.2	5.6
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	2.5	1.9	2.8	INA*

* Information not available.

1/ The participation rate represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population that are in the labor force.

2/ The employment-population ratio represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population who are employed.

3/ The insured unemployment rate represents a weekly average of weeks claimed for unemployment insurance benefits in a given month as a percentage of employment covered under the Employment Security Law for the most recent 12-month period for which data are available.

Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

February 1987

(Numbers in Thousands)

<u>Seasonally Adjusted</u>	Reference Month: One Year Prior	Time Series Data: September 1986 to February 1987					
	Feb. 1986	Sep. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	179,821	180,997	181,186	181,363	181,547	181,827	181,998
Civilian Labor Force	117,042	118,272	118,414	118,675	118,586	119,034	119,349
Participation Rate 1/	65.1	65.3	65.4	65.4	65.3	65.5	65.6
Employed	108,557	109,987	110,192	110,432	110,637	111,011	111,382
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	60.4	60.8	60.8	60.9	60.9	61.1	61.2
Unemployed	8,485	8,285	8,222	8,243	7,949	8,023	7,967
Unemployment Rate	7.2	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.7
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.7	INA*

<u>Not Seasonally Adjusted</u>	Reference Month: One Year Prior	Time Series Data: December 1986 to February 1987			
		Feb. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	179,821		181,547	181,827	181,998
Civilian Labor Force	115,725		118,049	117,703	117,967
Participation Rate 1/	64.4		65.0	64.7	64.8
Employed	106,685		110,588	109,084	109,464
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	59.3		60.9	60.0	60.1
Unemployed	9,041		7,461	8,620	8,503
Unemployment Rate	7.8		6.3	7.3	7.2
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	3.4		2.6	3.3	INA*

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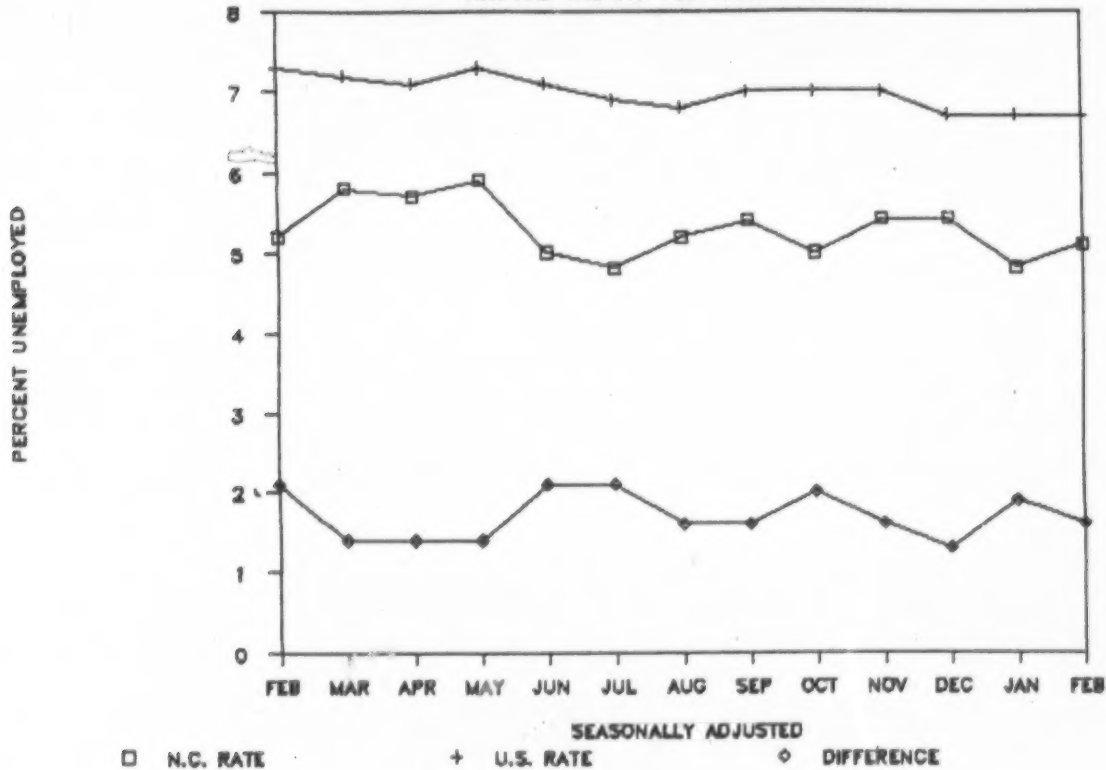
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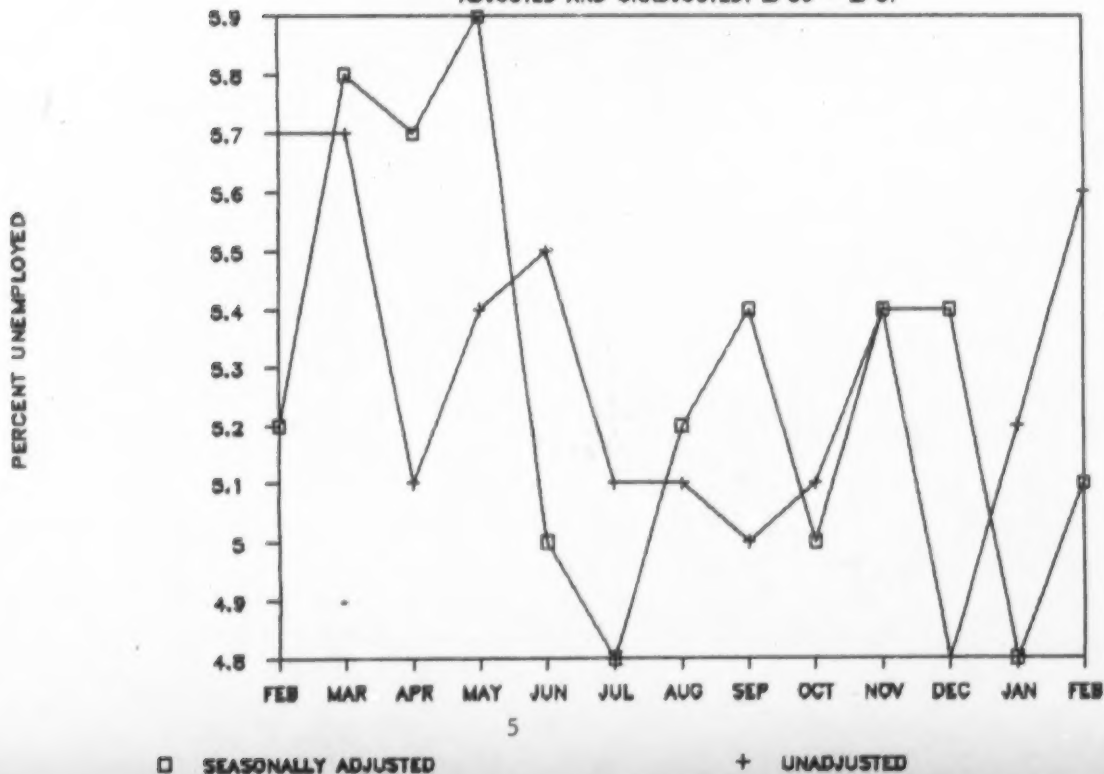
A COMPARISON: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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NORTH CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

ADJUSTED AND UNADJUSTED: 2/86 - 2/87



INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

FEBRUARY 1987 1/
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE FROM:			
	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986	January 1987 Net	Percent	February 1986 Net	Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force 2/	3,259.5	3,226.6	3,172.5	+ 32.9	+ 1.0	+ 87.0	+ 2.7
Unemployment, Total	181.4	169.0	181.4	+ 12.4	+ 7.3	0	0
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	5.6	5.2	5.7	+ 0.4	xxx	- 0.1	xxx
Employment, Total	3,078.1	3,057.6	2,991.1	+ 20.5	+ 0.7	+ 87.0	+ 2.9
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force 2/	3,290.0	3,271.0	3,204.0	+ 19.0	+ 0.6	+ 86.0	+ 2.7
Unemployment, Total	168.0	156.0	167.0	+ 12.0	+ 7.7	+ 1.0	+ 0.6
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	5.1	4.8	5.2	+ 0.3	xxx	- 0.1	xxx
Employment, Total	3,122.0	3,115.0	3,037.0	+ 7.0	+ 0.2	+ 85.0	+ 2.8
Total Nonagricultural Employment	2,796.7	2,790.8	2,706.6	+ 5.9	+ 0.2	+ 90.1	+ 3.3
Manufacturing	839.9	839.5	829.9	+ 0.4	**	+ 10.0	+ 1.2
Durable Goods	338.7	338.8	341.2	- 0.1	**	- 2.5	- 0.7
Lumber & Wood	37.9	37.8	36.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.7	+ 4.7
Furniture & Fixtures	86.5	85.8	84.8	+ 0.7	+ 0.8	+ 1.7	+ 2.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass	21.2	21.2	19.8	0.0	0.0	+ 1.4	+ 7.1
Primary Metals	11.4	11.1	10.8	+ 0.3	+ 2.7	+ 0.6	+ 5.6
Fabricated Metals	26.4	26.1	26.7	+ 0.3	+ 1.1	- 0.3	- 1.1
Machinery, Except Elec.	55.8	55.8	56.8	0.0	0.0	- 1.0	- 1.8
Electrical Machinery	57.9	59.3	65.5	- 1.4	- 2.4	- 7.6	- 11.6
Transportation Equipment	24.8	24.8	23.7	0.0	0.0	+ 1.1	+ 4.6
Other Durable Goods 3/	16.8	16.9	16.9	- 0.1	- 0.6	- 0.1	- 0.6

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4/ This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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6/ This category includes Self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

FEBRUARY 1987 ^{1/}
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE FROM:			
	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986	January 1987		February 1986	
				Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Nondurable Goods	501.2	500.7	488.7	+ 0.5	+ 0.1	+ 12.5	+ 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	47.3	47.3	46.9	0.0	0.0	+ 0.4	+ 0.9
Tobacco Manufacturing	25.4	25.3	25.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	- 0.4	- 1.6
Textile Mill Products	217.1	216.0	206.8	+ 1.1	+ 0.5	+ 10.3	+ 5.0
Apparel & Related Products	89.5	89.6	88.9	- 0.1	- 0.1	+ 0.6	+ 0.7
Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.8	22.2	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.5	- 2.3
Print., Pub., & Allied	27.6	27.7	27.1	- 0.1	- 0.4	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
Chemicals & Allied	37.2	37.5	37.1	- 0.3	- 0.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Prod.	31.0	31.2	29.4	- 0.2	- 0.6	+ 1.6	+ 5.4
Other Nondurable Goods ^{4/}	4.4	4.3	4.5	+ 0.1	+ 2.3	- 0.1	- 2.2
Nonmanufacturing	1,956.8	1,951.3	1,876.7	+ 5.5	+ 0.3	+ 80.1	+ 4.3
Construction	165.2	166.7	160.1	- 1.5	- 0.9	+ 5.1	+ 3.2
Transportation & Public Utilities	133.1	133.4	130.0	- 0.3	- 0.2	+ 3.1	+ 2.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	72.2	72.4	70.7	- 0.2	- 0.3	+ 1.5	+ 2.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	57.0	56.7	55.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 2.0	+ 3.6

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INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

FEBRUARY 1987 ^{1/}
(Numbers in Thousands)

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT

CHANGE FROM:

Classification	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986	January 1987		February 1986	
				Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Wholesale & Retail Trade	628.5	623.5	596.0	+ 5.0	+ 0.8	+ 32.5	+ 5.5
Wholesale Trade	144.5	144.0	140.4	+ 0.5	+ 0.3	+ 4.1	+ 2.9
Retail Trade	484.0	479.5	455.6	+ 4.5	+ 0.9	+ 28.4	+ 6.2
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate	123.4	123.2	112.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 10.8	+ 9.6
Service & Miscellaneous ^{5/}	466.9	464.7	445.3	+ 2.2	+ 0.5	+ 21.6	+ 4.9
Total Government	434.8	435.3	428.1	- 0.5	- 0.1	+ 6.7	+ 1.6
Federal	52.3	52.1	52.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	- 0.6	- 1.1
State	125.9	126.5	124.4	- 0.6	- 0.5	+ 1.5	+ 1.2
Local	256.6	256.7	250.8	- 0.1	**	+ 5.8	+ 2.3
Mining	4.9	4.5	4.6	+ 0.4	+ 8.9	+ 0.3	+ 6.5
All Other Nonag. Employment ^{6/}	250.3	244.6	233.5	+ 5.7	+ 2.3	+ 16.8	+ 7.2
Agriculture	36.7	34.6	39.4	+ 2.1	+ 6.1	- 2.7	- 6.9

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**INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA:
CLAIMS TAKING ACTIVITIES BY
MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR 1/**

FEBRUARY 1987

Industry of Primary Attachment	Insured Employment	Weekly Total	% of Insured Employment	Weeks Claimed	
				Change From Numerical Previous Month	Percent
Total All Industries	2,609,836	64,340	2.5	- 8,832	- 12.1
Manufacturing Total	824,522	24,410	3.0	-14,421	- 37.1
Food Products	46,543	1,606	3.5	+ 99	+ 6.6
Tobacco	24,350	855	3.5	+ 207	+ 31.9
Textile Products	210,428	5,515	2.6	- 7,449	- 57.5
Apparel Products	84,845	4,308	5.1	- 3,492	- 44.8
Lumber and Wood	37,272	1,968	5.3	- 228	- 10.4
Furniture and Fixtures	84,259	1,659	2.0	- 895	- 35.0
Paper and Allied	21,554	354	1.6	+ 32	+ 9.9
Printing and Publishing	27,215	300	1.1	+ 21	+ 7.5
Chemicals and Allied	37,791	448	1.2	- 192	- 30.0
Rubber and Plastics	30,359	580	1.9	- 521	- 47.3
Leather Products	3,669	161	4.4	- 225	+ 58.3
Stone, Clay and Glass	19,730	884	4.5	+ 199	+ 29.1
Primary and Fabricated Metals	37,586	989	2.6	- 243	- 19.7
Nonelectrical Machinery	57,086	1,325	2.3	- 335	- 20.2
Electrical and Electronic Machinery	61,519	2,310	3.8	- 636	- 21.6
Transportation Equipment	22,849	754	3.3	- 661	- 46.7
Other Manufacturing 2/	17,467	394	2.3	- 102	- 20.6
Construction	153,140	14,136	9.2	+ 4,784	+ 51.2
Transportation, Comm. and Utilities	126,609	1,936	1.5	+ 119	+ 6.5
Trade	604,139	8,759	1.4	- 6	- 0.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	111,997	1,041	0.9	+ 92	+ 9.7
Services	402,715	5,205	1.3	+ 123	+ 2.4
State Government	111,497	1,018	0.9	+ 77	+ 8.2
Local Government	247,519	1,708	0.7	- 2	- 0.1
Other 3/	xxx	6,127	xxx	+ 402	+ 7.0

1/ These include new and additional claims. Additional claims are claims which are reopened during the course of an established benefit year.

2/ "Other Manufacturing" includes Petroleum Refining, Instruments, and Miscellaneous Manufacturing.

3/ "Other" includes persons who filed but did not establish a benefit year due to insufficient industry attachment and/or the lack of determination of industry attachment; it also includes Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Mining industry employees.

INDIVIDUALS PLACED IN JOBS BY THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORIES AND INDUSTRIAL DIVISIONS

FEBRUARY 1987 1/

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed 2/	Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs 2/, 3/	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construc- tion	Manufac- turing	Transpor- tation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Services	Public Administration	Government
Total	8,751	8,583	115	9	821	4,532	293	1,668	128	1,651	354	558
Professional, Technical, and Managerial Occupations	285	278	2	2	3	42	7	45	11	120	48	99
Clerical Occupations	1,346	1,336	1	0	23	172	78	566	71	280	202	243
Sales Occupations	326	319	0	0	2	12	10	243	13	42	0	1
Domestic Service Occupations	96	73	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	72	0	7
Other Service Occupations	1,362	1,273	0	0	8	82	2	513	16	626	66	123
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, and Related Occupations	162	146	95	0	0	12	0	5	7	25	4	11
Processing Occupations	729	726	1	0	1	677	0	5	0	47	0	2
Machine Trade Occupations	1,172	1,173	0	1	18	1,055	6	32	1	63	4	4
Benchwork Occupations	1,590	1,581	0	0	2	1,470	1	18	0	94	3	29
Structural Work Occupations	1,278	1,258	1	0	732	386	24	45	9	88	14	23
Motor Freight and Transpor- tation Occupations	273	253	3	1	32	34	77	77	0	38	8	13
Packaging and Materials Handling Occupations	1,436	1,323	12	2	11	863	91	174	0	209	4	4
Miscellaneous Occupations	31	28	0	3	0	10	3	1	1	7	4	3

1/ The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987.

2/ The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for each industrial division do count each placement of an individual.

3/ A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

APPENDIX

Detailed Industry Employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-Supervisory Workers in North Carolina

**Detailed Industry Employment (not seasonally adjusted)
in North Carolina
February 1987 1/
(Numbers in Thousands)**

Industry	Total Employment			Percent Change From:	
	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
Total Nonagricultural Employment	2,762.8	2,756.9	2,681.7	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Manufacturing	833.7	834.0	828.0	**	+ 0.7
Durable Goods	336.7	337.0	339.2	- 0.1	- 0.7
Lumber and Wood Products	37.1	37.0	37.6	+ 0.3	- 1.3
Furniture and Fixtures	87.0	86.7	84.5	+ 0.3	+ 3.0
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	20.8	20.7	19.8	+ 0.5	+ 5.1
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.0	11.3	+ 0.9	- 1.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.1	26.0	26.4	+ 0.4	- 1.1
Machinery, exc. Electrical	55.5	55.5	57.1	0.0	- 2.8
Electrical and Electronic Equipment	57.6	58.6	62.5	- 1.7	- 7.8
Transportation Equipment	24.8	24.6	23.3	+ 0.8	+ 6.4
Other Durable Goods 2/	16.7	16.8	16.6	- 0.6	+ 0.6
Nondurable Goods	497.0	497.0	488.8	0.0	+ 1.7
Food and Kindred Products	46.3	46.4	45.9	- 0.2	+ 0.9
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.6	25.5	25.4	- 3.5	- 3.1
Textile Mill Products	215.4	214.1	209.3	+ 0.6	+ 2.9
Apparel and Other Textile Products	88.9	88.8	87.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Paper and Allied Products	21.8	22.0	22.0	- 0.9	- 0.9
Printing and Publishing	27.9	28.0	27.2	- 0.4	+ 2.6
Chemicals and Allied Products	37.1	37.3	37.3	- 0.5	- 0.5
Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	30.6	30.6	29.7	0.0	+ 3.0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.2	4.3	+ 2.4	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	1,929.1	1,922.9	1,853.7	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
Mining	4.7	4.7	4.6	0.0	+ 2.2
Construction	154.5	156.0	146.7	- 1.0	+ 5.3
Transportation and Public Utilities	132.2	131.8	129.7	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
Transportation, exc. Railroad	71.4	71.0	70.7	+ 0.6	+ 1.0
Comm. and Electric, Gas, and San. Ser.	56.7	56.7	54.4	0.0	+ 4.2
Wholesale and Retail Trade	612.2	614.9	586.6	- 0.4	+ 4.4
Wholesale Trade	142.2	142.1	140.4	+ 0.1	+ 1.3
Retail Trade	470.0	472.8	445.8	- 0.6	+ 5.4
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	122.3	122.0	113.7	+ 0.2	+ 7.6
Service and Miscellaneous 4/	459.0	455.4	436.3	+ 0.8	+ 5.2
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	24.8	24.5	22.8	+ 1.2	+ 8.8
Total Government	444.2	438.0	436.3	+ 1.4	+ 1.8
Federal	51.9	51.9	52.4	0.0	- 1.0
State	129.3	124.7	127.6	+ 3.7	+ 1.3
Local	263.0	261.5	256.3	+ 0.6	+ 2.6

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Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

February 1987 1/

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
Manufacturing	659.6	660.8	655.7	- 0.2	+ 0.6
Durable Goods	253.1	254.4	256.4	- 0.5	- 1.3
Lumber and Wood Products	30.5	31.4	32.3	- 2.9	- 5.6
Furniture and Fixtures	76.3	75.9	74.7	+ 0.5	+ 2.1
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	16.6	16.6	16.1	0.0	+ 3.1
Primary Metal Industries	8.2	8.2	8.5	0.0	- 3.5
Fabricated Metal Products	19.6	19.5	19.6	+ 0.5	0.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	28.0	28.1	28.5	- 0.4	- 1.8
Electrical and Electronic Equipment	41.4	42.3	45.5	- 2.1	- 9.0
Transportation Equipment	20.0	19.9	18.7	+ 0.5	+ 7.0
Nondurable Goods	406.5	406.4	399.2	**	+ 1.8
Food and Kindred Products	32.6	32.8	32.4	- 0.6	+ 0.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	19.0	19.9	19.5	- 4.5	- 2.6
Textile Mill Products	190.4	189.2	184.9	+ 0.6	+ 3.0
Apparel and Other Textile Products	77.6	77.6	77.1	0.0	+ 0.6
Paper and Allied Products	16.3	16.5	16.5	- 1.2	- 1.2
Printing and Publishing	17.3	17.4	16.8	- 0.6	+ 3.0
Chemicals and Allied Products	24.3	24.4	24.2	- 0.4	+ 0.4
Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	25.2	25.2	24.2	0.0	+ 4.1
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.5	3.6	+ 5.7	+ 2.8

* Revised.

** Less than .05 percent.

1/ Data for the current month are preliminary.

2/ This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-Supervisory Workers in North Carolina 1/

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	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986	Feb. 1987	Jan.* 1987	Feb.* 1986
MANUFACTURING	\$315.79	\$314.61	\$296.11	40.8	40.7	39.8	\$ 7.74	\$ 7.73	\$ 7.44
DURABLE GOODS	330.86	330.79	308.74	41.1	41.4	40.2	8.05	7.99	7.68
Lumber & Wood Products	269.20	280.13	255.82	40.0	41.5	39.6	6.73	6.75	6.46
Furniture & Fixtures	280.37	284.40	258.61	39.6	40.0	38.2	7.08	7.11	6.77
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	352.79	356.59	323.21	41.8	42.3	40.1	8.44	8.43	8.06
Primary Metal Industries	381.14	395.66	383.68	41.7	43.1	43.6	9.14	9.18	8.80
Fabricated Metal Products	360.50	356.01	330.06	41.2	41.3	40.9	8.75	8.62	8.07
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	388.83	380.55	350.68	43.3	43.0	41.5	8.98	8.85	8.45
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	377.94	369.09	354.41	41.9	41.8	41.5	9.02	8.83	8.54
Transportation Equipment	373.68	371.49	358.28	43.1	42.7	42.2	8.67	8.70	8.49
NONDURABLE GOODS	306.53	304.67	287.56	40.6	40.3	39.5	7.55	7.56	7.28
Food & Kindred Products	264.96	264.11	261.46	38.4	38.5	39.2	6.90	6.86	6.67
Tobacco Manufacturers	513.92	510.94	464.29	35.2	36.6	34.7	14.60	13.96	13.38
Textile Mill Products	288.91	283.71	265.43	42.3	41.6	40.4	6.83	6.82	6.57
Apparel & Other Textile Products	204.44	200.30	194.71	38.0	37.3	37.3	5.38	5.37	5.22
Paper & Allied Products	482.61	491.29	483.91	43.4	44.3	43.4	11.12	11.09	11.15
Printing & Publishing	353.02	345.98	326.70	39.4	38.7	38.8	8.96	8.94	8.42
Chemicals & Allied Products	434.05	441.15	405.57	42.1	42.5	41.3	10.31	10.38	9.82
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	392.50	396.45	379.76	40.8	41.6	41.1	9.62	9.53	9.24
MINING	381.88	374.78	358.88	45.3	45.1	43.5	8.43	8.31	8.25
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	508.67	511.18	487.06	41.7	41.9	42.7	12.14	12.20	11.68
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	198.77	204.48	199.94	31.5	32.0	32.3	6.31	6.39	6.19
Wholesale Trade	321.79	327.89	311.25	39.1	39.6	39.2	8.23	8.28	7.94
Retail Trade	164.93	170.73	167.86	29.4	29.9	30.3	5.61	5.71	5.54
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	135.83	138.41	137.64	28.9	29.2	29.6	4.70	4.74	4.65

* Revised.

1/ These data pertain to production workers in selected manufacturing industries and non-supervisory employees in selected non-manufacturing industries.

2/ Data for the current month are preliminary.